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In re Patent Application of:  
Eric A. Swanson

Application No.: 09/847091

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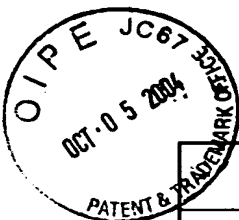
Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2004, Paper No. 6, entry of the below amendments, consideration of the remarks provided, and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.



**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.



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